

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 HOUSE BILL 2335

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to firearms; prohibiting expenditure
8 of public monies for certain purposes relating to the
9 Second Amendment of the United States Constitution;
10 deeming use of public property, resources, employees,
11 networks or time as use of public funds; extending
12 prohibitions to certain activity; providing penalty;
13 providing exemption for certain persons; providing
14 for codification; and providing an effective date.

15 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

16 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
17 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 593 of Title 21, unless there is
18 created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

19 A. It shall be unlawful for any state entity or political
20 subdivision of this state, or any branch, division, foundation,
21 contractor or affiliate of a political subdivision of this state to
22 expend any monies, funds or resources, directly or indirectly, for:

23 1. Publicity or propaganda purposes opposing rights as stated
24 in the Second Amendment to the Constitution of the United States;

2. Preparation, distribution or use of any kit, pamphlet,
booklet, publication, electronic communication, radio, television or

1 video presentation or other audiovisual presentation or material
2 designed to defeat the enactment of:

- 3 a. legislation before any federal or state governmental
4 entity relating to rights as stated in the Second
5 Amendment to the Constitution of the United States, or
- 6 b. any proposed or pending rule, regulation,
7 administrative action or order issued by any federal
8 or state governmental entity relating to rights as
9 stated in the Second Amendment to the Constitution of
10 the United States; or

11 3. Employment or retention or use of an executive or
12 legislative lobbyist or legislative liaison, as such terms are
13 defined in the Rules of the Ethics Commission, to support or defeat
14 the enactment, repeal or amendment of any legislation, rule,
15 regulation, administrative action or order by any federal or state
16 governmental entity in opposition to rights as stated in the Second
17 Amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

18 B. No individual, state entity or political subdivision of this
19 state or any branch, division, foundation, contractor or affiliate
20 of a political subdivision of this state shall use any monies, funds
21 or resources, directly or indirectly, to pay the salary or expenses
22 of any public employee or grant or contract recipient, or agent
23 acting on behalf of such recipient, related to any activity designed
24 to influence the enactment, repeal or amendment of legislation, an

1 appropriation, a regulation, an administrative action, rule or an
2 executive order proposed or pending before any federal or state
3 governmental entity in opposition to rights as stated in the Second
4 Amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

5 C. The use of public property, resources, employees, networks
6 or time shall be considered to be the use of funds pursuant to the
7 provisions of this section.

8 D. The prohibitions in subsections A and B of this section
9 shall include any activity to advocate or promote any proposed,
10 pending or future:

11 1. Federal or state tax, fine or fee increase relating to
12 rights as stated in the Second Amendment to the Constitution of the
13 United States; or

14 2. Requirement or restriction on any legal consumer product,
15 including its sale or marketing, relating to rights as stated in the
16 Second Amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

17 E. Any person violating the provisions of this section shall,
18 upon conviction, be guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine of
19 One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00), or by imprisonment in the county
20 jail for a term not exceeding one (1) year, or by both such fine and
21 imprisonment.

22 F. 1. The provisions of this section shall not apply to any
23 person elected to a state, county or municipal office or any person
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1 who is appointed to fill a vacancy in a state, county or municipal
2 office.

3 2. An individual, state entity or political subdivision of this
4 state or any branch, division, foundation, contractor or affiliate
5 of a political subdivision of this state who is directly contacted
6 by an elected official specifically for the purpose of discussing
7 the merits of any legislation, rule, regulation, administrative
8 action or order related to rights stated in the Second Amendment to
9 the Constitution of the United States and who engages in such
10 discussions shall not be deemed to have violated the provisions of
11 this section.

12 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2019.

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